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LASCA NEWS

A periodic report from the Los Angeles State and County Arboretum to the members of the California Arboretum Foundation, Inc. Arcadia, California

January 20, 1961

MEMBERS' LECTURE

The Foundation's next regular lecture is scheduled for Friday, January 27, 1961 at 8:00 P.M. in the Lecture Hall at the Arboretum. We are most fortunate in having as speaker Dr. Mildred Mathias, Vice-Chairman of the Botany Department of U.C.L.A., and a member of our Board of our Board of Trustees. Dr. Mathias will speak on "Plant Collecting in Peru", an illustrated lecture of her plant explorations in the Amazon Basin of Peru and Ecuador, made under the sponsorship of the Department of Pharmacology of the University of California Medical Center at Los Angeles. Dr. Mathias' program is such a fine one we know you will want to attend and bring your friends, and we urge you to make reservations as soon as possible for yourself and your guests. Admission for Members is 50 cents and for non-members, $1.00 per person. Please phone Hillcrest 7-8207 for your reservations.

MEMBERS' TOUR

The next Members' tour scheduled for Monday, February 6 at 10:00 A.M. We will meet in the south section of the Lecture Hall for coffee and then proceed to the Historical section by tram where we will learn in detail the background of our historical areas. This promises to be a most interesting morning, and we hope you will plan to attend. Please let us know as soon as possible if you will be here, by phoning H illcrest 7-8207 or by dropping a note to us at Box 688, Arcadia, Calif.

COMING EVENTS

The following events are scheduled for the coming months. We know you will want to attend:

March 7	Arbor Day
April 22 & 23	Iris Show
April 29 & 30	Orchid Show
May 5	Dedication of the Hugo Reid Adobe
May 6 & 7	Spring Flower Show
May 16	Annual Members Meeting

BLACK SWANS GIVEN TO FOUNDATION

Hollywood Park has again most generously contributed a pair of black swans for the lagoon. One of the pair given last year was fatally injured, so we're glad to report that our lone black swan will now have company! Seriously, these are beautiful birds, and we are delighted to have them and are most grateful to our benefactors.

CALIFORNIA ARBORETUM FOUNDATION, INC.

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNCILORS AND BOARD

OF TRUSTEES

JANUARY 25, 1961

MINUTES

Mr. Alexander King, Chairman, Presiding

Present were: Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Ayres, Jr., John E. Barber, Mr. and Mrs. Ross K. Boore, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph D. Cornell, Mrs. Shannon Crandall, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. F. Wesley Davies, Mrs. Warren M. Dorn, Mrs. J. F. Douglas, Miss Neva Douglas, Mrs. Garrettson Dulin, Morgan Evans, Mr. and Mrs. William Hertrich, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander King, Mrs. John Mage, Mrs. Manfred Meyberg, Howard A. Miller, Mrs. Rudolph Richards, Mr. and Mrs. F. Harold Roach, Mrs. Forrest Q. Stanton, Mr. and Mrs. Thaddeus Libby Up de Graff, Miss Abigail von Schlegell, Mrs. Archibald B. Young, Dr. and Mrs. William Stewart, George Spalding, Mrs. Elsie Murray and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Hiatt.

Guests were: Mr. Millard Sheets, Mr. Edward Huntsman-Trout and Mr. Don Woolley.

The meeting was opened by Mr. Alexander King who spoke briefly on what the Arboretum has meant to him.

Mr. Ralph Cornell, President of the Board of Trustees, California Arboretum Foundation, Inc. , was then introduced. Mr. Cornell pointed out that many individuals had been responsible for the progress of the Arboretum. Among them, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bauer were vitally interested in the Arboretum having a pool and fountain, and in 1960 had contributed the money for developing plans. Mr. Edward Huntsman-Trout evolved the plan and, with Mr. Millard Sheets, augumented the scale and vision of the project to develop an entire entrance project composing 20 acres. Thus, the essential feature, the fountain and the individual segments of the project were developed in such manner that they could be funded individually.

Mr. Cornell introduced Mr. Millard Sheets, eminent artist and designer, who is now president of the Otis Art Institute; acts in an advisory capacity to the U. S. Government; maintains a studio in Claremont, California and has an enviable reputation in architectural landscaping.

In discussing our present entrance project, Mr. Sheets suggested that great projects do not accidently evolve, they must be planned. He clearly indicated that our project is one that has an opportunity for a vista which would be unlike any other of its kind. Mr. Sheets presented the artists' rendering of the entrance way project as envisioned, and discussed the important and pertinent ideas which prompted the thinking of Mr. Huntsman-Trout and himself.

Mr. Huntsman-Trout was introduced by Dr. Stewart as the Landscape Architect Consultant of the Los Angeles County Department of Arboreta and Botanic Gardens.

Mr. Huntsman-Trout further discussed the entrance development plan and pointed out that:

1. Automobiles would be out of view by use of screening shrubs and trees.

2. The entrance project should not be a division of sections of the Arboretum, but with cross vistas to integrate all parts of the Arboretum.

3. Mr. and Mrs. Bauer's desire for quality of material and permanence by the use of the best materials obtainable. It is planned to use travertine coping 4½" thick, these to be chosen by Mr. Sheets in the near future in Italy.

4. The covering cost of the entire project was presented and delineated for funding.

A period of questioning ensued. Mr. Sheets expressed the desire that mature and interesting trees be brought into the picture as we cannot wait 25 or 50 years to see the greatest beauty of the project. H e suggested the west side of the wall could be treated with Mosaic Tile with subjects such as the 'Evolution of Botany', etc.

Mr. Cornell expressed the truism that California is beginning to reach the peak of cultural refinement; that trees are a project that could be taken on by a group as a unit. In this way, we could trade dollars for years.

Mr. King made the following announcements:

1. Members Lecture to be held Friday, January 27th, 8 P. M. in the Lecture Hall. Dr. Mildred Mathias will speak on "Plant Collecting in Peru".

2. Next meeting to be held March 21st, 6:30 P. M., dinner at Cal-Tech.

Mr. and Mrs. King were thanked for providing such a lovely tea.

Meeting adjourned for refreshments.

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn H. Hiatt
Secretary

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March 15, 1961

MEMBERS LECTURE

The Foundation sponsored lecture will be held Friday, March 24, at 8:00 P.M. in the Lecture Hall at the Arboretum. Mr. John Catlin will be the speaker. Mr. Catlin, of La Canada, for over twenty-five years has been creating the minature trees, and has been closely associated with the California Bonsai Society for many years. Mr. Catlin will illustrate his lecture with colored slides and will demonstrate the art by creating an actual Bonsai. This plant will be given as a door prize after the lecture. With the ever increasing interest in Bonzai, we are pleased indeed to present this program, and hope to see all our members there. Admission to members is $.75 per person, with guest admission $1.00. We ask that you make reservations with this office before Thursday, March 23. Tickets may be ordered by mail and we suggest your detaching the form below and returning with your check. Tickets will be sent by return mail.

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Members' Lecture Reservation:
March 24, 1961

Bonzai - by John Catlin
Lecture Hall
Los Angeles State and County Arboretum
301 North Baldwin Avenue
Arcadia, California

Number of tickets: _____ Members @ $ .75 Ea._____

_____ Guests @ $ 1.00 Ea._____

Name_____

Address_____Phone_____

Please return with your remittance to:

California Arboretum Foundation, Inc.
301 North Baldwin Avenue
Arcadia, California

ENTRANCE REDEVELOPMENT PROGRESSES

If you've visited the Arboretum recently you have seen the progress that has been made on the Entrance redevelopment. Initial grading has been done and water lines are being installed. Surfacing of the parking area has been accomplished and is ready for the installation of markers. This will increase the parking facility by 25 percent.

MEMBERS' TOUR

APR 3

We are pleased to announce the arrangement of the next Members' Tour of the Tallac Knoll section. So many have requested this area be included in our tours and we are pleased that we can comply with the request. We will meet at 9:45 A.M. in the South section of the Lecture Hall for coffee and introduction to Mr. Glenn Hiatt, who will conduct the tour and give us information of the plantings at Tallac Knoll. The trams will leave the main entrance at 10:15 sharp. We are looking forward to seeing all of you that morning, for this will be a most pleasant tour.

HUGO REID DEDICATION AND MEMBERS' ANNUAL MEETING

The regular Annual Members' Meeting announced in January for May 16 has been changed to May 5 to coincide with the formal dedication of the Hugo Reid restoration. Please mark this change on your calendar, for we hope you will not miss this interesting meeting, to be held in the Hugo Reid enclosure. At the close of our meeting, public dedication ceremonies will follow. More details will be given in our April News letter.

BULLOCK'S FLOWER SHOW

Bullock's Downtown and Sunset Magazine are collaborating in the presentation of a flower show April 17 to 24, as a tribute to the Arboretum as a center of horticultural interest in Southern California. The Foundation is planning an exhibit to acquaint the public with our aims. We surely hope you will attend this flower show for it will be an outstanding event.

WORLD FLOWER AND GARDEN SHOW

The Foundation sponsored Arboretum exhibit at the World Flower and Garden Show held at Pan Pacific Auditorium in February was most successful. In addition to many fine comments received, the exhibit was awarded a special trophy and Blue rosette ribbon for an outstanding exhibit of horticultural merit. The theme for the exhibit was taken from a photograph taken by Mr. Hiatt while in Costa Rica.

GIFTS TO THE FOUNDATION

We acknowledge with sincere appreciation the following gifts received since our last news:

From:	
Mr. Robert Bailey, Claremont, Calif.	10 Bales Live Hapuu for Orchid Culture
Mr. James Cunningham, Altadena, Calif.	Books
Mrs. Charles McCullough, Altadena, Calif.	Books
Mr. C. E. Cunningham, Pasadena, Calif.	63 Orchid Plants

REGULAR JOINT MEETING OF THE

BOARD OF COUNCILORS AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

OF THE

CALIFORNIA ARBORETUM FOUNDATION, INC.

ATHENAEUM

CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

551 SOUTH HILL AVENUE

PASADENA, CALIFORNIA

MARCH 21, 1961

6:30 P. M.

DINNER - $3.00 PER PERSON

Tear Off and Return

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April 21, 1961

MEMBERS OF THE CALIFORNIA ARBORETUM FOUNDATION, INC.

ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO

the

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Friday, May 5, 1961

at

THE HUGO REID ADOBE
Los Angeles State and County Arboretum
301 No. Baldwin Avenue
Arcadia, California

PROGRAM

3:00 P.M. - Annual Meeting at the Hugo Reid Adobe

4:00 P.M. - Formal Dedication of the Hugo Reid Adobe
Refreshments to be served in the Courtyard

4:45 P.M. - Annual distribution of plants to Members
(Coleus, named European varieties)
(Alyxia daphnoides- So. African)

(PLEASE NOTE: Should you be unable to attend the meeting, you may obtain your plant any day EXCEPT Saturday or Sunday, from 9 AM to 4 PM, until June 1st, 1961, by calling at the Gatehouse, 301 No. Baldwin Ave., Arcadia, presenting your current membership card.)

YOUR CURRENT MEMBERSHIP CARD WILL BE NEEDED FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING AND PLANT DISTRIBUTION

R.S.V.P.

ADDITIONS!

We are delighted to report that our pair of black swans are the proud parents of four youngsters !

DATES TO REMEMBER

April 17 - 19	Bullocks Downtown - Sunset Magazine display at the Los Angeles store. This has been extended for one full week, and we urge you to attend, for it is exceptionally fine.
April 28 - 30	Orchid Show - at the Arboretum
May 5	Annual Meeting and Hugo Reid Dedication - Arboretum
May 6 and 7	Spring Flower Show - at the Arboretum

May 26, 8 P.M. Members Lecture on South Africa - Lecture Hall, Arboretum

GIFTS RECEIVED BY FOUNDATION

Shaffers Tropical Gardens, Inc. Santa Cruz, California	11 Phalaenopsis plants
Bandini Fertilizer Co., Los Angeles	40-50 lb. bags Naturalizer
Mr. Nathan Ambler, La Habra, Calif.	Buggy & complete harness for Coach Barn
Mr. H . W. Hillebrecht, Orange, Calif.	Antique gun, shell casings, loading tool and antique cigar box
Mr. Ralph Moore, Visalia, Calif.	180 selected Miniature Rose plants
Rosedale Nurseries, Inc., Monrovia	2,000 Fraxinus Uhdei for Arbor Day distribution to children
Dr. Vernon Stoutemeyer, Los Angeles	Books
Little Garden Club, Pasadena, Calif.	Books
Mr. Alfred N. Verner, Carlsbad, Calif.	Books
Mrs. J. A. Krause	B ooks
Deigaard Nurseries, Monrovia	3 Parkinsonia Aculeata (for South Coast Botanic Garden)
Monrovia Nursery Co., Azusa	700 plants (for South Coast Botanic Garden)
Mrs. Fletcher Dobyns	Books

CALIFORNIA ARBORETUM FOUNDATION, INC.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

PLANT DISTRIBUTION

MAY 5, 1961

Coleus Varieties

These Coleus plants are propagations of some of the named European varieties collected by the United States Department of Agriculture. We have only had these plants for a short time, but we expect to release them to our local nurseries in the near future.

In our climate Coleus do well outdoors only in warmest months, and even then light shade is needed. They are better as potted plants in a bright, warm spot indoors. Cuttings are rooted very easily, so the varieties can be multiplied with ease.

Alyxia daphnoides - family Apocynaceae.

An attractive evergreen shrub to 5 feet. One-half inch lance-like dark green leaves - small white fragrant flowers followed by orange-red berries with a sticky milky juice. Berries give the shrub an added ornamental touch for a month or two.

Culture: Takes a variety of soils slightly acid. Likes high filtered light shade - not building shade - moderate watering and fair drainage. Not on the market as yet.

5/16/61

CALIFORNIA ARBORETUM FOUNDATION, INC.
301 North Baldwin Avenue
Arcadia, California

May 16, 1961

M E M B E R S' L E C T U R E

The Foundation is pleased to announce sponsorship of a lecture by Mr. Stuart Wheeler of Claremont, California. Mr. Wheeler's talk is entitled "People and Plants of Central Africa - 1960", and is scheduled for 8:00 P.M., May 26, in the Arboretum Lecture Hall.

Mr. Wheeler is a life-time resident of the San Gabriel Valley and is a graduate of Pomona College. He was a City Councilman of Claremont for 24 years and is past Mayor of that city. Upon retirement from activity as a citrus grower, Mr. Wheeler has been visiting far places of the world.

Mr. Wheeler will illustrate his lecture with pictures he took in Africa, showing the area from Johannesburg to Nairobi.

We are happy to have the opportunity of making this lecture available to our membership, for it is exceptionally interesting. Admission is $.75 each for members and $1.00 each for non-members. We ask that you make reservations in advance by returning the form below to the Foundation at Box 688, Arcadia, California. For further information call us at Hillcrest 7-8207.

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Members' Lecture Reservation:

8:00 P.M., May 26, 1961
Arboretum Lecture Hall
301 No. Baldwin Ave.
Arcadia, California

"PEOPLE & PLANTS OF CENTRAL AFRICA
1960"
by Stuart Wheeler

Number of tickets_____ Members @ $ .75 ea._____

_____ Guests @ 1.00 ea._____

Name_____

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MEMBERS ANNUAL MEETING and HUGO REID ADOBE DEDICATION

We hope you enjoyed the Annual Meeting and the Hugo Reid Adobe Dedication ceremonies. We were pleased to see so many in attendance, and only regret that every one of our members was not there, for we feel the afternoon was a most rewarding one.

Mr. Cornell opened the meeting with a welcome to our members and guests. Dr. Stewart briefly commented on the progress at the Arboretum, and reports were heard from Mrs. Mage for the Historical Committee, the Secretary's report from Mr. Spalding and the Financial report from Mrs. Murray. Mr. Macfarland, as Chairman of the Nominating Committee, reported their nomination to the Board of Trustees for the regular three year term of Dr. Samuel Ayres, Jr., Dr. Elmer Belt, Mr. Howard Bodger, Mr. Charles S. Jones, Mrs. Valley Knudsen, Mrs. John R. Mage, Dr. Mildred E. Mathias, Mr. George H. Spalding and Mrs. Forrest Q. Stanton. These nominations were all approved by the membership and all were duly elected. In addition, the appointment of Dr. Arie J. Haagen-Smit to fill a vacancy last fall was approved by the members.

Because the afternoon activities were to be extended, we were unable to thank individually, the many members who have volunteered their time through the past year to help us with our varied activities. Some have helped us with the office detail, particularly with our mailings. Others have acted as hostesses at affairs such as the American Horticultural Congress last fall, our lectures and tours. Several have been helping in the greenhouses and others have been faithfully helping the Library staff. Another group helped at the Queen Anne Cottage until we were able to provide professional care for the cottage. To the following members, our sincere thanks and appreciation for their valuable help: Mrs. Walter Boadway, Mrs. Ross K. Boore, Mr. Fred Brown, Mrs. W. W. Collins, Mrs. C. R. De Prima, Mrs. Warren Dorn, Miss Marguerite Dumbauld, Mrs. Percy C. Everett, Mrs. Thomas J. Finnerty, Miss W. Leoti Fisher, Capt. and Mrs. A.M.R. Fitzsimmons, Mrs. Lillian Hall, Mrs. Ernest Hetherington, Mrs. Glenn Hiatt, Mrs. Cecil E. P. Jeffreys, Mrs. Marcella Juhren, Mrs. Grace V. Kallam, Mrs. Donald Lunoe, Mrs. Jean McClure, Mrs. Paul Malling, Mrs. O. J. Marcellus, Mrs. Carl E. Naumann, Mrs. Dorothy Peacock, Mr. W. Dan Quattlebaum, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Risch, Mrs. Ruth Spalding, Mrs. William Stewart and Mrs. Evelyn Swedlow. We would also like to thank the San Gabriel Valley Orchid Hobbyists members for their help at the Orchid Greenhouses.

At the close of the Dedication ceremonies, your Board of Trustees met to elect officers for the coming year. It was the unanimous opinion of the Board, in view of the dedication of the incumbents and their untiring efforts in behalf of the Foundation, that they be re-elected for another term of office. So we welcome Mr. Ralph D. Cornell, President; Mr. F. Harold Roach, 1st Vice-President; Mrs. John R. Mage, 2nd Vice-President; Mr. Howard A. Miller, Treasurer; Mr. George H . Spalding, Secretary.

We are looking forward to another year of interesting activity for our members and rely on your support in order that we may achieve even greater progress for the Arboretum this coming year.

SOMETHING NEW HAS BEEN ADDED!

The carreta installed at the Hugo Reid Adobe just prior to the Annual Meeting was provided by the State of California. It is an authentically constructed reproduction and we feel lends added interest to the Adobe.

12-11-61

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December, 1961

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

The Board of Trustees of California Arboretum Foundation, Inc., and the Foundation staff sends best wishes at this holiday season, along with the hope that 1962 will be happy and prosperous for all.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS AT THE ARBORETUM

"Las Posadas" is being sponsored this year by the Education Division of the Los Angeles State and County Arboretum, rather than by the Foundation as in the past. Under direction of Mrs. Maida Boyle, Associate Historical Curator of the Arboretum staff, Las Posadas will be given at 6:45 P. M., December 16, in the Hugo Reid Adobe courtyard. In addition, Mrs. Boyle has arranged a "Victorian Christmas" program for Sunday, December 17 at 3:00 P. M., at the Queen Anne Cottage. Mrs. Boyle has secured authentic music and entertainment for those events and we are sure you will find them of great interest. Do plan to attend. Further information about them is enclosed with this NEWS.

DESCANSO GARDENS GAIN AND OUR LOSS!

Mr. Frank Simerly, who has been of such aid to this office in our various activities, has been promoted to Assistant Superintendent of Descanso Gardens. We are indeed happy for him in his new position, even though we shall miss him!

DR. DONALD P. WATSON TO SPEAK

"How to Fill the Void in American Horticultural Education" will be the topic of a lecture to be given by Dr. Donald Watson of Michigan State University, December 27 at 8:00 P. M. in the Lecture Hall at the Arboretum. The lecture will be illustrated with colored slides. Dr. Watson, co-author of "Therapy Through Horticulture", directed and "starred" in a weekly television series, bringing the art and secrets of proper horticultural practices to a wide audience. All amateur as well as professional horticulturists will find this a most informative lecture and the public is invited to attend. There is no charge for the lecture.

REICHENBACHIA PRINT PREVIEW AND SALE

The generosity of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Menninger has made it possible for us to make available to our members a fine selection of Reichenbachia prints at considerably less than the customary cost. February 23 has been set as the date for the sale and it will be in the Lecture Hall of the Arboretum. Invitations and more details will be sent to our members after the holidays. Meantime, we hope you will reserve February 23 to attend this showing.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Our good wishes to Mr. Clarence Lee, who will, on January 25, 1962, celebrate his 100th birthday. Mr. Lee, graduate of Cornell University, is a long-time resident of Palos Verdes Estates, where he spends much time in his lovely garden.

December, 1961

CONGRATULATIONS!

Our congratulations go to the San Gabriel Valley Branch of the American Begonia Society, whose president is Mr. Carl Naumann. Their entry at the County Fair at Pomona this fall was awarded first prize in their class. A trophy for best horticultural material was also awarded this entry as well as one for best design.

FOUNDATION EVENTS:

Please mark your calendar for these coming events sponsored by the Foundation:

January 26 8:00 P.M. Lecture Hall	"Brazil"	Mr. Otto Austell	(A slide illustrated lecture on the culture of the Caraja Indians of central Brazil)
February 2 8:00 P.M. Lecture Hall	Title to be Announced	Dr. William S. Stewart	(Reporting on his journey through Africa)
February 23	"Reichenbachia Prints"	Preview and sale of Reichenbachia and Lindennia prints, with lecture to be announced.	